

PRUNES AND TAR IN EXTRACTS

State Food Commissioner Also Says People Eat Plaster Paris.

Columbia, Mo., May 8.—People of Hannibal, Mo., have been eating plaster paris, according to Doctor W. P. Cutler, State Dairy and Food Commissioner. E. H. Ham, the inspector at Hannibal, is said to have examined cream tartar branded "absolutely pure" and found it adulterated, and buckwheat flour was found to be made of cornstarch and wheatstarch.

A. F. Meyer, the St. Louis inspector, is said to have found lemon extract, manufactured by a baking powder company, lacking any trace of lemon oil, but colored with coal tar dye.

A so-called vanilla extract was made largely of prune juice and without any trace of an extract of the vanilla bean.

High Five Club

Mrs. Ed Hughes entertained the High Five Club on Saturday afternoon at her home in Maple Terrace. Mrs. L. D. McKee and Mrs. H. Smithner received the club prizes and Mrs. Tip Watson the guest's prize.

Those attending were Mesdames Frank Burns, Jas. Juddins, L. D. McKee, Tip Watson, W. T. Dailey, Mace Jacques, Ed Hogan, Pete Heyburn, J. L. Harvey, Joe Kennedy, Thos. Markwell, H. Smithner and Mrs. Walters and Miss Ruth Walters, of Denver, Colo.

To Dedicate Church.

Col. R. C. Kerens, of St. Louis, passed through Monett, in President A. J. Davidson's private car enroute to Eureka Springs to attend the dedicatory exercises of a Catholic church that the Colonel has erected as a memorial to his mother.

In the party with the Colonel was Archbishop Glennon, the Reverend D. S. Phelan, the Reverend James S. McMahon, Rev. Father Lambert, rector of Passionist Theological Seminary, F. W. Schaute and G. W. Hellmuth. The edifice is built of stone and cost \$20,000.

Earl Aulgur Hurt

At an early hour Monday morning Earl Aulgur, a young brakeman of this city, had his foot badly crushed while cutting out cars from his train at Carl Junction. The draw bar failed to work and he stepped between the cars to do the uncoupling when his foot was caught under one of the wheels. He had the presence of mind to grasp a bar on the car and was thus prevented from being crushed other than the foot.

He was brought to this city on passenger train No. 304 and from here was taken to the Frisco hospital at Springfield.

Number Injured in Train Wreck

Eleven passengers were injured when a Pullman coach attached to the southbound passenger train turned over early Saturday morning between Hardy and Willited, Ark. The train was the Frisco limited which leave Springfield at 12:10 a. m. for Memphis. The accident is believed to have been caused by a defective rod on the overturned coach. None were fatally injured.

R. D. Lenhart Married.

R. D. Lenhart, of Aurora, and Mrs. Lydia Golphaee, of Kansas City, were married Wednesday, May 5 at Mt. Vernon.

Mr. Lenhart was formerly proprietor of the Monett Eagle and is now a prominent business man in Aurora. His bride is the younger sister of his first wife.

Mrs. R. G. Fleming of Chatham, Ontario, Canada, who has been visiting in Texas is now visiting her brother, Rev. J. McCrory of this place.

THE "DRY" BILL TUESDAY NEXT WEEK WILL COME THE FINAL FIGHT FOR PROHIBITION.

Representative Killon, Author of the Measure, Was Too Ill To-Day to Appear in the House—The Danger in Delay.

Jefferson City, May 9.—Prohibition has been made a special order in the house for 10 o'clock Tuesday forenoon. The action fixing the time was the first thing done this morning when the house met at 9 o'clock.

The special order of senate bills was the first thing in order this morning, but on account of the importance of the prohibition measure and the condition of the author's health the house permitted Leckliter to move just after the chaplain's prayer that the house make prohibition a special order for Monday at 3 o'clock. He explained that the author, Mr. Killon, was unable to be present to-day and the motion was made at his suggestion.

Conran offered a substitute to make the special order for 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Electric Light Franchise.

It is reported that the Monett Electric Light Company will have a petition before the council at their meeting Tuesday night asking them to grant to the company a new franchise. A great many of our people are opposed to granting free franchises and it would be wise for them to so express themselves to the council so that it is thought that a franchise would not be voted by the people the cost of a special election could be avoided. The time to settle this matter is before an election is called.

Celebrates Ninety-Ninth Birthday

Springfield, Mo. May 8.—"Uncle" Dan Potter, whose home is near Dadeville, has just celebrated his ninety-ninth birthday, and is the oldest resident of Polk county. At the gathering of friends who came to see him on his birthday, he said he expected to reach his one hundredth year, and that on his next birthday he would put a sack of corn on his horse in front of him, just as he did when a boy, and ride to the mill at Dadeville to have the corn ground into meal. In addition to being the oldest man in the county, he is considered the longest resident of Polk county.

Dinner Party.

Mrs. Geo. Fiest and Mrs. Van Nattar entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of Mrs. James Tarbut of Lake Charles, La. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Neil Kelly and daughter, Miss Edith, Mr. and Mrs. Will Duncan and sons Floyd and Clyde.

Base Ball.

The ball games Saturday and Sunday between Carthage and Monett teams were won by Monett. The score Saturday was 2 to 3 and on Sunday, 4 to 5.

The rules of propriety make to-day, May 10, the beginning of the straw hat season for men. Some men, who don't care a continental for fashion have already changed their head gear.

Miss Gertrude Schoen, of Fort Scott, Kan., is expected on a visit to Monett friends this week.

Council meeting Tuesday night. The electric light company expect to ask for a new franchise.

Women Who Wrote "St. Elmo" Is Dead.

Mobile, Ala., May 9.—Mrs. Augusta Evans Wilson, a Southern authoress, who, under her maiden name of Augusta Evans, wrote novels, that had an extensive vogue forty or fifty years ago, died at her home here to-day from a sudden attack of heart disease. She was 74 years old.

WOMAN POISONS 300 HUSBANDS

Denounced by Remorseful Widow Murderess Makes Confession

St. Petersburg, May 8.—Charged with having committed 300 murders a woman named Popova has been arrested at Samara.

During the last thirty years, it appears, the woman has made a practice of ridding capricious wives of their husbands by poison. She charged small fees, and is alleged to have executed commissions with much dispatch. One of her clients, tormented by remorse, has now denounced her.

Mme. Popova has confessed to having committed the murders, but protests that she did an excellent work in freeing unhappy wives from their tyrants. She never murdered women.

Lacked the Man

One of the good wives of our city entered the business establishment of her husband last Monday, when, of course, the question of house cleaning and gardening were uppermost in the minds of our people, relates the Clarence Courier. The husband grew exceedingly polite, and tipping his hat approached his wife in this manner: "Madam, would you like to buy one of these nice garden plows?" He nearly fell dead when the soft reply came, "Yes, if I only had a man to run it."

The New Game Law.

The following is a concise synopsis of the new Missouri Fish and Game Law:—

Sale of all kinds of game is absolutely prohibited at all times.

Sale of all plumage of all wild birds, wherever taken in the world, absolutely prohibited at all times.

OPEN SEASONS

Quail, turkey and male deer (deer over one year old), November 1 to December 31.

Ducks, geese, brants and snipe, September 15 to April 30.

Plover and doves, September 1 to December 31.

Squirrels, July 1 to December 31. Otter, beaver and muskrat, November 1 to April 1.

No woodcock, prairie chicken, ruffed grouse or any native bird, other than those named above, or any imported game bird, can be killed at any time.

HUNTING LICENSES.

One dollar to hunt in county where you reside and in counties adjoining your resident county.

Five dollars for state-wide license.

Twenty-five dollars for license to non resident of Missouri.

All licenses expire yearly.

GAME BAG LIMIT.

One deer, two turkeys, twenty-five birds to any one family in one day, and no family shall have more than double that number in its possession at any one time.

FISHING REGULATIONS.

No fishing license required.

Fishing must be done with ordinary hook and line, trout line, gig or spear.

Use of seine is prohibited except in Missouri and Mississippi rivers, or temporary ponds or sloughs resulting from overflow, or in ponds or reservoirs wholly on the premises of the person using the seine.

Sale of trout, pike, jack salmon, crappie or bass under a certain length is prohibited.

No Service

To keep the coast clear for the high school program the hour of social worship announced for next Thursday evening at Presbyterian church is withdrawn. Dr. Hunter's series of half hour lectures on "The Bible: What It Is and How to Study It" will, therefore, be begun on Thursday evening the 20th.

The cyclone cloud which struck Golden is said to have resembled smoke from a locomotive. It was not accompanied by rain or hail as is usually the case in a cyclone.

A LARGE ATTENDANCE

A Monster Crowd Attended the Services at the High School Sunday Night

One of the largest crowds that has ever entered the high school building attended the baccalaureate services Sunday night. It was impossible to accommodate the multitude that attended and many were obliged to stand in the halls and in the aisles.

The rostrum was appropriately decorated with class colors and flowers.

The churches of the town dismissed their evening services and the various pastors attended and took part in the services.

The music for the occasion was furnished by the high school choir, and there was also special music by a male quartette composed of A. Pettefer, John Hoberg, H. E. Blaine and H. H. Westbay, also a solo by Mrs. A. Jones.

An appropriate and convincing sermon was delivered by Rev. J. S. Allen pastor of the Baptist church.

Monett Called Upon To Aid Cyclone Victims of Barry County.

Mayor Short has a letter from a prominent business man of Golden urging Monett to do what she can to aid in a financial way the victims of the cyclone that swept over Golden last week leaving death and destruction in its watery wake. Our little sister town of Golden has been practically annihilated and wiped from the face of the earth. In proportion to population the destruction of Golden has been as severe as the great earthquake and holocaust that followed when Frisco was stricken a few years ago, or even as devastating as was the recent destruction of Messina in Sicily.

In order that people may know the true situation and what is needed by the sufferers Mayor Short has appointed Rev. S. F. Stevens and W. R. Henderson to visit Golden and secure definite information. This committee will start to-morrow morning and upon their return the Mayor will issue a proclamation calling for a mass meeting of the citizens of Monett to hear the report of the committee and to raise such donations as the circumstances of our people will permit.

Consulting Engineer of Frisco Leaves Service.

C. D. Purdon, who has been consulting engineer for the Frisco for some time, with headquarters at St. Louis, resigned, effective April 18, to accept a position with the Memphis Railroad Terminal company at Memphis, Tenn., as assistant chief engineer.

Mr. Purdon entered the service of the Frisco as assistant engineer March, 1885, in charge of the Arkansas river bridge at Van Buren, Ark., and the Red River bridge at Arthur, Tex., which position he occupied until February, 1887. He was appointed chief engineer May 1, 1901, and afterwards appointed engineer of maintenance of way, and later consulting engineer, which position he occupied until the date of his resignation.—Springfield Leader.

State Wins In Express Case.

Lincoln, Neb., May 10.—The State has won the first round in the litigation to enforce the Sibley act, reducing express rates 25 per cent in Nebraska. Referee J. J. Sullivan appointed by the Supreme Court to take testimony, to-day reported that the act was not confiscatory and that judgment should be entered in favor of the State.

The State Railway Commission attempted to enforce the Sibley act two years ago. The United States, the American, Adams, Well-Fargo and Pacific Express companies are involved.

The county court has ordered a bridge built across Flat Creek at Jenkins. The bridge is to cost \$1500.

TRAIN WRECKED; 1 DEAD

Five Also Hurt When Washout Derails Frisco

Springfield, Mo., May 9.—One man was killed and five were injured, with a possibility that more will be found later, when the engine of Frisco fast train No. 106, overturned about seventeen miles north of here, at 5:30 this morning. Chas. Haines, the engineer, was instantly killed, being thrown fifty feet from the track against a fence.

The distance he was hurled shows that he must have realized his predicament and tried to jump as the engine overturned.

The five who were injured were:

M. A. Weidner, a mail clerk, Kansas City, Kan.; fracture of right elbow.

E. T. Coffman, fireman, Fort Scott, Kan.; contusion right leg and face lacerated.

J. S. Hoey, mail clerk, Ft. Scott, Kan.; contusion left lower chest.

Perry Posy, negro, passenger, Kansas City, Kan.; chest injured.

Edward C. Hooper, mail clerk, Ft. Scott, Kan.; fracture left patella.

The train was trying to make up lost time, going at a rate of fifty miles an hour. The culvert just this side of the wreck failed to carry away the heavy downpour. Although the track had been inspected early in the day, the ballast was washed entirely from under the rails.

John Callan transacted business in Mt. Vernon Monday.

Miss Louise DeBrosse has accepted a position at Fly's store.

G. N. Parks went to Springfield Sunday.

Miss Lizzie Conrey went to Mt. Vernon Monday.

Miss Orpha Bayless, of Cassville, is visiting Mrs. Sam Clutter.

Preston Brown, of Cassville, visited in the city Sunday evening.

Fred Albert, of Peirce City, visited Monett friends Sunday.

Thos. J. Lyons went to Neodesha, Kan., Sunday.

Chas. Woolsey visited friends in Peirce City Sunday as usual.

W. F. Lenhart and family visited over Sunday with R. D. Lenhart at Aurora.

The Monett school teachers enjoyed a picnic on the high school grounds Saturday.

Mrs. Bandy has returned to her home in Sarcoxie after a visit with Monett friends.

Miss Gertrude Madden of Kansas City, is visiting her cousin, Miss Macy Lyons.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. P. Burke and sons Allen and Maurice spent Monday at Mt. Vernon.

The Sunshine Club will meet at the home of Mrs. James Mansfield Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Attorney J. E. Sater went to Cassville, Monday to look after legal business in probate court.

Mrs. Holcomb, who had been visiting for several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Smith, returned to her home in Kansas Sunday.

Miss Lulu McAdow, of Cassville, visited Sunday evening in Monett. She was on her way to Wichita, Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Mills left Sunday for Birmingham, Ala. They will visit in Atlantic City, N. J., before their return.

An investigation of the St. Louis markets has revealed the fact that meat is 25 per cent higher than it was two years ago. The same condition was found in regard to vegetables.

H. A. Helper, special representative of the Manufacturers' Record, of Baltimore, Md. was in the city Monday.

Miss Edith Kelley and Floyd Duncan, of Peirce City, attended the baccalaureate sermon here Sunday night.

Mrs. T. J. Hillhouse, of Verona, was shopping in Monett Monday.

One Marriage Is Broken

Twenty years ago an investigation by the Government of labor showed that 32,716 divorces had been granted in the United States between 1867 and 1886, and that divorces were increasing two and one-half times as fast as population. The recent census for 1887-1906 brings to light 945,625 divorces and demonstrates that the movement constantly gains in velocity. At present probably one marriage in ten is broken and in some states the proportion may be as high as one in four. Forty years ago the broad contrast was between north and south; but the divorce rates of north and south have been converging, whereas those of east and west have diverged. The central states have two and one-half times the rate of the Atlantic states, while for the western states the proportion is three and one-half.

Although the tide of divorce is rising the world over, nowhere is it so high, nowhere is it rising so fast as in the United States. Our rate is twice that of Switzerland, thrice that of France and five times that of Germany.—May Century.

Music Club

The Music Club met Monday afternoon, May 10 with Mrs. William Kines.

Tschaikowsky was the composer under discussion. Following is the program:

Vocal Solo, Hand in Hand, Johnson Mrs. Kines

Piano Solo, March of the Wooden Soldiers, Tschaikowsky: Mrs. Peck.

Reading, Madam Anna E. Ziegler: Mrs. Buckley.

Vocal Solo, My Old New Hampshire Home, Von Tilzer; Miss Carnes

Piano Solo, Snow Bells, Tschaikowsky; Mrs. Wilkerson

Beside those mentioned on the program, Mrs. Hall attended the club meeting.

The Club will meet during the month of May with Mrs. William Kines.

The Seniors Entertained.

On Monday evening the senior class of the high school was entertained by Mrs. Geo. Wilhelm. The majority of the class were pupils of Mrs. Wilhelm the first year she taught school in grade 5.

The evening was very pleasantly spent in playing games and a general good time. Those in class are Edgar Price, Edgar Bear, Alfred Long, Charlie Fowler, Edwin Johnson, Ernest Ferguson, Edna Standridge, Flora McCormick, Opal Armstrong, Grace Whitlatch, Lillian Allen, Geneva Parsons, Sarah Watson, and Neva Overton. Others present were Walter Harris, James Day, Roy Parker and Miss Nellie Mills.

A Good Record

The following pupils in the Central school have not been absent during this school year:—

Room 1:—Homer Counts, Ruth Cole, Dorothy Burke, Eugene Douglas.

Room 2:—Jessie Wilson, Jessie Ferguson, Ervin Floreth, Shirley Barnsley, Ruth Patton, Florence and Della Courdin.

Room 3:—Lillian Watkins, Arthur Hess, Glen Vaught, Leslie Mason, Eulalia Watson, Agnes Uter, Raymond Kingery, Goldie Summers, Albina Buffa, Gladys Plater, Zetah Wimsatt.

Room 3 and 4:—Geneva Barnsley, Frank Kyler, Charlie Meador, Pansy Vermillion, Grace Great-house, Goldie Redding, Farriss Davis, Violet Counts, Robert Hawkins, Dorothy Morrow, Pauline Westerman, Norine Wilson, Jewell Ferguson, Cecil and Lloyd Looney.

Room 4 and 5:—Ruth Wyatt, Lillian Strain, Jennie Traugbber, Mamie Counts, Rose Finley, Pauline Walton, Russell Cole, Kenneth Wright, Earl Hobbs, Urbane Moorman.

Room 5:—Zola Johnson, Hester Chastain.

Room 6:—Bessie Walton, Mildred Morrow, Russell Hobbs.

Mrs. F. N. Reece returned to her home at Cassville Tuesday morning.

H. H. Westbay went to Joplin Monday.